



June 13, 2003

Ms. Christy Brown, RCRA Project Manager United States EPA, Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Mail Stop WCM-126 Seattle, WA 98101

Subject:

June 15, 2003, Progress Report

J.H. BAXTER ARLINGTON FACILITY

Docket No. RCRA-10-2001-0086

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OFFICE OF WASTE & CHEM. MGMT.

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter provides the June 15, 2003, progress report for work under the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for the J.H. Baxter & Co. (Baxter) facility during the period from May 15, 2003, to June 15, 2003.

Significant Developments This Period

This section discusses significant developments for the referenced reporting period, including actions performed and any problems encountered relative to work required by the AOC. Significant developments that occurred on this project during this reporting period are outlined below:

• On June 6, 2003, Baxter transmitted groundwater flow maps for January and March 2003, to Rene Fuentes of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as requested.

Anticipated Developments Next Period

This section discusses developments anticipated during the next reporting period, as outlined below:

 Baxter will continue to implement elements of the SI Work Plan, including database compilation and data evaluation.



- Baxter will conduct groundwater sampling in accordance with requirements of the Site Investigation (SI), State Waste Discharge Permit (SWDP), and closed wood waste landfill monitoring program during the week of July 7, 2003.
- A Drinking Water Well Sampling Fact Sheet and Summary Report summarizing the
 results of the drinking water well sampling activities completed by Baxter will be
 submitted within the next 30 days under separate cover. Baxter intends to post this fact
 sheet on the Public Participation Web Page in the near future. All laboratory analytical
 reports and letters to residents have been previously transmitted to EPA.

Anticipated Problems and Problem Resolution

This section discusses anticipated problems, and planned resolution of past or anticipated problems.

No new problems or issues have been identified at the facility, other than those mentioned in previous progress reports.

Other Information

Any other information relevant to the AOC is discussed in this section, including results of any sampling or testing completed within the reporting period.

- On May 20, 2003, Baxter submitted Infiltration Gallery Information and Registration for Stormwater Improvement Measures to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology).
- On May 29, 2003, Baxter sent Ecology a letter which provided an update on the City of Arlington approval process and requested an update on the approval status of the Engineering Report.
- Baxter will continue excess stormwater treatment in accordance with the approved phased approach for stormwater management.
- Baxter will continue to develop City of Arlington Design and Approval Documents for the proposed stormwater treatment system.
- Baxter will continue with development of the Plans and Specifications for the stormwater improvement measures.

Certification

I certify that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to evaluate the information submitted. I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this submittal is true, accurate and complete. As to those identified portions(s) of this submittal for which I cannot personally verify the accuracy, I certify that this submittal and all attachments were prepared in accordance with procedures designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those directly responsible for gathering the information, or the immediate supervisor of such person(s), the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Signature

Name:

RueAnn Thomas

Title:

Environmental Programs Director

Date:

June 13, 2003

We trust this letter meets the intent of the Progress Report per Paragraph 71 of the AOC. If you have any questions, please contact me at (541) 689-3801.

Sincerely,

RueAnn Thomas

Environmental Programs Director

CC:

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